

# NEWSLETTER

Support Alliance For Emergency Readiness

CREATING A **SAFER** SANTA ROSA www.safersantarosa.org

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No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. - Aesop

#### **NEEDS. REQUESTS, DONATIONS**

We can do no great things -- only small things with great love. -- Mother Teresa

"You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give". -- Winston Churchill

#### **2 HOMELESS FAMILIES HOUSED!**

I have two families who were homeless that have just gotten housing, but they need a few things. a refrigerator, bookcase, kitchen table and chairs, vacuum sweeper, and TV. Money to purchase these items also accepted. If you can help with this request, please contact Dr. Karen R. Barber, 983-5001 or barberk@mail.santarosa.k12.fl.us

#### **REFRIGERATOR NEED**

There is a woman in great need of a refrigerator, if you can help, please contact Cindy Sarver with the Sheriff's Office at 983-1236, she is the point of contact for this need.

#### **FURNITURE NEED**

One of the Bridges Out of Poverty participants (called investigators) is getting her own residence and no longer going to be homeless! She needs furniture for her home. If you can help, please let Dr. Karen R. Barber know at (850)983-5001

#### FAMILY PROMISE FALL FUNDRAISING SALE- 15 & 16 NOV

Family Promise is having our fall fundraising sale coming up on November 15-16 from 8am to 2pm. It will be at the Milton Storage Facility on Vanity Fair Road.

**Shane Nation, Executive Director** Family Promise of Santa Rosa, Inc. (850) 623-5300 Office <a href="mailypromise123@bellsouth.net">familypromise123@bellsouth.net</a> <a href="http://www.familypromisesrc.org/">http://www.familypromisesrc.org/</a>



#### PIT (POINT-IN-TIME) COUNT/U-COUNT DAY KICK-OFF MEETING

During the last 10 days of January, more than 400 Continuums of Care (CoC), covering over 3,000 cities and counties across the country will organize tens of thousands of volunteers in a national effort to measure the scale of homelessness in the United States. These counts reveal the number of homeless persons in our shelters and on our streets at a single point-in-time. These one-night snapshot counts also provide local planners with data they need to understand the number and characteristics of persons who are homeless so they, in turn, can develop a thoughtful response. This effort allows communities to find out not just how many people are

homeless, but who is homeless and more importantly, why they are homeless. Being able to answer these important questions is critical if we ever hope to end homelessness.

As we get closer to the 2014 Point-in-Time (PIT) count, people are encouraged to reach out to their local Continuum of Care (CoC) to learn more about the PIT count that will be taking place in their area to learn how they can help as well as learn about other possible volunteer opportunities in the CoC. Along with the PIT count EscaRosa Coalition On the Homeless introduced U-Count-Homeless Services Day last year with an overwhelming response. U-Count Day presents an opportunity for people who are homeless to receive social services, Veterans' services, legal and employment services, medical screenings, hot meals, showers, haircuts, hygiene supplies, and many other critical supports.

The event is also a day where everyone counts, a day to celebrate and have fun.

This will be our second year to host a U-Count services day. We are looking for volunteers, organizers and agencies who have compassion for the homeless and would like to help make a difference with a remarkable event.

Please consider this opportunity to join us at the 2014 Point In Time/UCount Kick Off Meeting.

• DATE: November 13, 2013

• TIME: 2 PM

• PLACE: Pathways for Change Family Center: 2050 W. Blount Street Pensacola, FL We have some exciting new ideas and a change of location to announce. Please come to find out how you can help,

Serene Keiek Project Manager EscaRosa Coalition On the Homeless, Inc. 850.439.3009 Telephone

#### **FESTIVAL OF TREES**

Saturday, November 23, 2013 Save the date and join us at the Imogene Theater as we celebrate the Christmas Season! Come see beautifully decorated trees, table centerpieces, and door designs which will include wreaths, stockings, and door planters. This is an event for the whole family! Kids will have a chance to visit with Santa and participate in fun activities like face painting and cookie decorating. Grab a cup of hot chocolate and get some holiday shopping done at the many vendor offerings at Festival Marketplace!

Online Auction: Starting at 12PM 11/21/2013 at <a href="www.srkidshouse.org">www.srkidshouse.org</a>

Festival Marketplace: 8AM-3PM (Free Admission)

Holiday Items Open for Viewing: 10AM-3PM Adults: \$5.00 Children 12 & Under Free

Christmas Celebration / Auction: 6:30-10PM

Jingle Bell Jam: 10PM-12AM Adult Admission: \$50.00

#### TAKE A BITE OUT OF HUNGER

Join Santa Rosa County Extension along with the University of Florida Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences and the Florida Peanut Producer Association to help take a bite out of hunger by participating in a local peanut butter drive. All peanut butter collected will be donated to a local food pantry during Farm-City Week.

The average child will eat 1,500 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches before he or she graduates high school. Keep children eating locally grown peanuts in healthy, nutritious and yummy peanut butter by bringing unopened jars of peanut butter to one of three drop off sites now through Nov. 15:

### Santa Rosa County Extension Office

6263 Dogwood Dr. Milton, FL 32570

#### **Jay Extension Office**

5259 Booker Lane Jay, FL 32565

#### South Santa Rosa Service Center - Master Gardener Help Desk

5819 Gulf Breeze Parkway Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

For more information please contact Blake Thaxton, (850) 623-3868 or <a href="mailto:bthaxton@ufl.edu">bthaxton@ufl.edu</a>.

#### **BLANKET DRIVE**

#### **BLANKET DRIVE FOR SENIORS**

You can help a senior in our community stay warm this winter by donating a new blanket!



Granny NANNIES is collecting new blankets now through December 1st.

## UNDIE SUNDAY AS PART OF NATIONAL HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK

Every November EscaRosa Coalition on the Homeless host events to commemorate <u>National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.</u> This year we are asking area Churches and Congregations to host an Undie Sunday to help raise awareness and needed supplies. The attached PDF flier will explain.

We ask your church congregation or organization to collect <u>NEW underwear and socks</u> to be distributed to agencies in Santa Rosa County. We need all sizes from toddlers to adults. Also various sizes on Diapers and wipes are needed for the little ones.

Serene Keiek ECOH Program Manager (232-9548) is the Point of Contact to get your collected supplies to.



#### BAY AREA BACKPACK FUND RAISER @ RUBY TUESDAY

Bay Area Food Bank provides food insecure children with weekend meals through our Backpack Program. For a school to participate in the program it must have 50% or more of its students on free or reduced lunch. Each bag contains a variety of easy to prepare kid friendly items like: cereal, oatmeal, macaroni and cheese, granola bars, animal crackers, etc. Each bag contains 6 meals (2 breakfast, 2 lunches, 2 dinners and 2 snacks) the cost of each bag is \$3.50. To feed a child for the school year (36 weeks) the cost is \$126. Teachers identify students with chronic signs of hunger at the beginning of the year. These children receive the prepackaged bags in their own backpacks every Friday. The program is anonyms only the teachers know who is participating.

### The Backpack Program is not federally funded. It relies solely on sponsors, donations and grants.

If a school is unsponsored the children who qualify for the program may not receive their weekend meals if funding is not available. There are currently 80 unsponsored children in Santa Rosa County. Hunger is all too real in our community. Over 8,000 children in Santa Rosa County do not know where there next meal is coming from. Without adequate nutrition children cannot learn and thrive. Many of the children that participate in the Backpack Program rely on the meals they receive at school as their primary source of nutrition. The Backpack Program helps to fill the hunger gap while they are out of school.

Ruby Tuesday's has accepted the Backpack Program as a Give Back Charity. When you bring in the attached flyer to participating locations (located on the bottom of the flyer) on the specified dates Ruby Tuesday's will donate 20% of the patron's bill to the Bay Area Food Bank's Backpack Program. Below are the participating locations and dates. Please pass this flyer along. For more information about how you can help Bay Area Food Bank's Backpack Program, please contact Leah Weber at <a href="https://www.lweber@bayareafoodbank.org">lweber@bayareafoodbank.org</a> or (850) 626-1332.

#### **Participating Location:**

PACE • 4917 HIGHWAY 90 • 850-994-3660 • NOVEMBER 14, 21, 28, 2013 Thursday from 11am to 11pm

PENSACOLA BLVD • 6640 PENSACOLA BLVD (aka Hwy 29)• 850-477-2025 • NOVEMBER 14, 21, 28, 2013

**BEAL PKWY @ MECO •** 573 NORTH BEAL PARKWAY • 850-862-0295 • **NOVEMBER 14, 21, 28, 2013** 

Thank you for your generosity!

Ruby Tuesday's -Backpack Program.pd

**Leah Weber** Child Nutrition Coordinator Bay Area Food Bank, Panhandle Branch O: 850-626-1332 ext. 103

Please print & bring one copy of the attached flyer for each diner.

#### INFORMATION

When you cease to make a contribution you begin to die. - Eleanor Roosevelt

#### **SAFER BOARD MEETING**

SAFER will hold a board meeting at 11am on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November at the United Way office in Milton. Topic will be the December visit by the Safe Communities evaluators in December, developing an agenda, and ensuring we have the capital to fully fund the visit. Additional topics will include April's annual meeting, elections, by-law changes, and the future direction of SAFER. All SAFER members are welcome to observe the meeting as space permits.

#### **FLU FIGHTERS**

Flu season has begun! Are you protected? The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by various flu viruses that spread when people with flu cough, sneeze or talk. About <u>5 to 20 percent of people</u> in the United States get influenza each year. Flu related complications include pneumonia and dehydration, which can last one to two weeks. In some cases, the flu can also lead to death.

If you get sick with flu symptoms, stay away from others as much as possible to keep from infecting them. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends staying home at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or necessities.

While <u>vaccination</u> remains the best line of defense against flu, there are simple <u>everyday</u> <u>preventive actions</u> you can take to help fight the spread of germs such as washing your hands frequently and covering your mouth when you cough or sneeze.

If you haven't received your flu vaccination, use the <u>vaccine finder</u> to locate a clinic near you!

#### SANTA ROSA COUNTY BRIDGES STEERING COMMITTEE

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Milton City Hall.

#### Topics for our next meeting:

1. Holiday resources! Please gather and send me any information regarding holiday assistance you know about within our community. Toys for Tots, holiday baskets, etc. We would love to have someone speak to us about their groups efforts!

- 2. Resiliency!
- 3. Bridges Board of Directors

Please save the date, I'll be sending out additional emails for RSVPs. Remember, we are missing some people from the table so if you think of someone, invite! Criminal Justice, business, government, etc.



Dawn N. Stone Secretary II Federal Programs Santa Rosa District Schools 850-983-5237 <a href="mailto:stonedn@mail.santarosa.k12.fl.us">stonedn@mail.santarosa.k12.fl.us</a>

#### PET PROTECTION

Dogs and cats are not immune to cold weather. If it is cold for you, it is cold for them! As the winter months approach, don't forget to keep your pet safe. Create a <u>pet disaster supply kit</u> similar to the one you prepare for yourself. Their kit should include:

- Food and water for at least five days for each pet;
- Sturdy leashes, harnesses and carriers; and
- Current identification, medications and medical records.

All pets need appropriate protection against the cold weather. If you have a short haired breed, consider getting a coat or sweater with a high collar or turtleneck for them to wear. While outside, keep your pet close to you to avoid encountering antifreeze, a sweet but deadly poison that may be accessible on roads and in garages or driveways. Do you know the signs of antifreeze poisoning? Symptoms usually appear 30 minutes to an hour after ingestion and occur in two phases.

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals lists <u>guidelines to protect your animals</u> when the mercury dips. Taking extra precautions during colder months will make sure your four-legged family members stay safe and warm!

#### RING THE ALARM

As the holiday season approaches, it's a good time to review <u>fire safety techniques</u> with your family including how to safely put out fires using a portable fire extinguisher. These extinguishers are a valuable resource for immediate use on small fires. Before you consider using an extinguisher there are some very important details to remember:

- The <u>U. S. Fire Administration recommends</u> only those trained in the proper use and maintenance of fire extinguishers consider using them when appropriate! Contact your local fire department for training in your area.
- The <u>type of fire extinguisher</u> you use should match the type of fire. Most extinguishers display symbols to show the kind of fire on which they can be used.
- If you do not think you would be able to safely put the fire out in five seconds using an extinguisher, do not attempt to use it! Leave the area and call 911.

Should you need to use a fire extinguisher, follow the PASS method.

Learn more about fire safety and how to properly extinguish fires with FEMA's preparedness activity module, <u>Putting Out Fires</u>.

#### SANTA ROSA COUNTY SWAT TO SPONSOR TOBACCO FREE FARM SHARE

**Milton, FL** - Santa Rosa County Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) will sponsor the First Annual Tobacco Free Farm Share event Saturday, November 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Santa Rosa County Fair Grounds. The event is free, open to the public, and tobacco-free. Additional sponsors include the United Way of Santa Rosa County, Americorps of Florida, and the Department of Children and Families.

Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. Participants will have the opportunity to visit with on site vendors offering educational materials on health and safety and will be entered into a drawing for one of several prizes. Music will be provided by Music by Matt.

Santa Rosa County residents with a valid photo ID will also be eligible for the free food and clothing distribution that will take place at the event. Supplies will be available for approximately 750 families in need, and distribution will be on a first come, first served basis. Proof of financial eligibility is not required.

"Conducting the Tobacco Free Farm Share will be a great way for SWAT to give back to the community," SWAT County Chair Magi Linscott said. "And by giving to those in need, we will all learn the true spirit of the Thanksgiving season."

SWAT was re-established in Santa Rosa County in 2007 and, currently, students from seven Santa Rosa County middle and high schools participate. "This group is committed to serving their community," said Robbie Leggett, tobacco prevention specialist with the Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County and advisor to the SWAT youth. "This is a great opportunity to bring together various community partners with a common goal of giving back to the community."

**Mission Statement:** Swat is Florida's statewide youth organization working to mobilize, educate and equip Florida youth to revolt against and de-glamorize Big Tobacco. SWAT is a united movement of empowered youth working towards a tobacco free future.

For more information on the Tobacco-Free Farm Share event, contact Robbie Leggett at 850-983-5200, ext. 310, or Julie Burger at 850-934-4074, ext. 142 or Julie Burger@doh.state.fl.us.

#### **WEATHERIZATION ORIENTATION INFORMATION**







Agency Letterhead Elig req part 1.doc Elig req part 2.doc

Please spread the word about this program to everyone! This is especially important for those that are in poverty or near poverty and may not be able to afford power bills during winter. This program will save them money, but not enough people know about it.

#### SANTA ROSA COUNTY TOBACCO-FREE COALITION HOLDS MEETING

The Santa Rosa County Tobacco-Free Coalition will hold its next meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 4 p.m. in the main conference room of the Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County (DOH-Santa Rosa), 5527 Stewart Street in Milton. This meeting will discuss progress made in policy areas and the 2013-2014 work plan development and submission.

The Santa Rosa County Tobacco-Free Coalition began in September 2008 as a partnership of community members and agencies working together with a mission to reduce the prevalence of tobacco use and provide education on the dangers of tobacco abuse among children and adults in the county. Members include: Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County, Healthy Start of Santa Rosa County; Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC); the Center for Total Women's Health; Community Drug and Alcohol Council; West Florida Area Health Education Center; Covenant Hospice; Safe Haven; Santa Rosa County School District; Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office; Santa Rosa County School Health Program; Santa Rosa Pediatrics; University of West Florida; Students Working against Tobacco (SWAT) and AIDS Healthcare Foundation. Any interested citizens or community groups are encouraged to attend the meeting and join the coalition.

For more information on the Santa Rosa County Tobacco Free Coalition, please contact Vince Nguyen at (850) 983-5200 ext. 142.

The Florida Department of Health works to protect, promote, and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county, and community efforts.

# FLU VACCINE AVAILABLE AT FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN SANTA ROSA COUNTY

Flu vaccine for the 2013-2014 Flu season is now available at all Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County clinic locations. The vaccine is available for \$30.00, and is covered by Medicare Part B for adults who are eligible. Vaccine is also available at no fee for children aged 6 months through 18 years through the Vaccines For Children program. Quantities of the free vaccine are limited, so it is suggested that parents call the clinic to verify vaccine availability.

#### Clinic locations and hours:

Milton Clinic

5527 Stewart Street

Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday and Thursday

Closed for lunch from 12:00 Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Phone: 850-983-5200

Midway Clinic

5840 Gulf Breeze Parkway

Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., Tuesdays only

Phone: 850-934-4074

Jay Clinic

14122 Alabama Street

Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon, first Wednesday of the month

Phone: 850-983-5200

Seasonal flu vaccine protects against strains of the illness most commonly circulating. It takes about two weeks after vaccination for the body to develop the antibodies that protect against the flu. The 2013-2014 vaccine offers protection against four types of flu, two Type A and two Type B. In addition to the flu shot, the Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County recommends these precautions:

- Wash hands frequently using soap and warm water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol based hand sanitizer.
- Cover coughs and sneezes. Cough or sneeze into a disposable tissue and throw the tissue away after use, or cough or sneeze into your elbow or sleeve.
- Stay home if you are experiencing flu like symptoms, such as fever, cough, sore throat, headache and muscle aches, and keep children with symptoms home from school or day care, until fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication, except to seek medical care.

For more information about the flu and flu vaccines, visit the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/flu/keyfacts.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/flu/keyfacts.htm</a>.

GET PREPARED http://do1thing.com/

This web page is an awesome way to incrementally get your family and business ready for any disaster.

#### **TWITTER**

SAFER Santa Rosa is on Twitter.

#### **FACEBOOK**

SAFER is on Facebook, find us, and become our friend;-) We are up to <u>680</u> people! Invite friends. <u>Let's keep growing this communications venue</u>. <u>Invite other Santa Rosans to participate</u>. Invite your Santa Rosa friends to join you on the SAFER Facebook page.



Use of barricades policy: Free to parades and other events in Santa Rosa County that are sponsored by a chambers or government entities (Christmas parades, Mardi Gras, 4<sup>th</sup> of July etc...) or non profits, that are hosting events that are free and open to the public. The user is responsible for transportation of barricades, AND banners advertizing sponsors MUST be put on barricades. Others wanting to use the barricades must provide transportation and rent barricades at a cost of \$5 per barricade. Additional fees may be applicable if barricades are not returned within 7 days of pick up/delivery. Barricades will cost \$8 each if delivery is required. Average rental price for barricades is \$9-\$13 each through other vendors. SAFER barricades are a bargain.

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

There is no better exercise for your heart, than reaching down and helping to lift someone up. - Bernard Meltzer

# OPERATION POPULATION PROTECTION – A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (ACTIVE SHOOTER) WORKPLACE EXERCISE

If ensuring your workplace is ready to survive an active shooter incident is important to you please read on or forward this information to others who would.

The possibility of an armed assault occurring anywhere in the United States is a real one. While local law enforcement will focus on subduing the gunman, it will be up to workplace management and staff where the incident occurred to work through the myriad of challenges associated with responding to and recovering from such an event.

#### So what should you do?

For starters, you are encouraged to participate in the Operation Population Protection Workplace Exercise - scheduled for November 20, 2013. This unique exercise will provide an opportunity for management and staff from your workplace to become better prepared for an active shooter incident while simultaneously assessing current workplace plans for such an event.

There is **NO CHARGE** to participate in this unique workplace preparedness opportunity sponsored by the Be Ready Alliance Coordinating for Emergencies (BRACE) and the EscaRosa Business Continuity Initiative. Pre-registration for the Internet based exercise is required. The Exercise can be completed in just over an hour from any Internet accessible computer on November 20.

Access the following website for additional information and to register: www.BeReadyAlliance.org

Please note: The Operation Population Placement Exercise is not a webinar. This exercise is comprehensively designed in a challenging format that follows the Department of Homeland

Security's exercise design and facilitation guidelines and contains thought-proving scenarios and injects.

#### BRIDGES TRAINERS - GET RECERTIFIED ONLINE!

Is your Bridges Out of Poverty trainer certification more than two years old? Do you need to recertify but don't have a lot in your travel budget?

There are several upcoming opportunities to recertify online with Phil DeVol:

Feb 27, 2014 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT) May 29, 2014 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT) Nov 20, 2014 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT)

You can also convert to Lifetime Certification at this time.

What are the benefits of having a Lifetime Certification?

- Monthly trainer tips
- Newsletters
- Online support
- Attend biennial online recertification sessions for free!

This not only saves money; it also saves you time out of your office. **Register today!** 

For more information, email us at <a href="mailto:questions@bridgesoutofpoverty.com">questions@bridgesoutofpoverty.com</a>, or call us at (800) 424-9484. We look forward to working with you! The Bridges Out of Poverty Team

#### **BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES: AN ONLINE TRAINING**

The RAND Corporation developed a free emergency preparedness <u>online training</u> outlining how organizations and communities can better prepare for emergencies and strengthen their resilience. Resilience means:

- mitigating and withstanding the stress of manmade and natural disasters.
- recovering in a way that restores normal functioning.
- applying lessons learned from past responses to better withstand future incidents.

The training is intended for a diverse range of organizations, including businesses; faith-based organizations; hospitals, health clinics, and other health agencies; mental health providers; schools and universities; civic and volunteer groups; first responders; local government agencies; public health departments; and nonprofit agencies.

#### JUST IN TIME DISASTER TRAINING VIDEO ON-LINE LIBRARY

There are now 417 disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery training videos embedded in the Just In Time Disaster Training Video Library with new videos being added on a daily basis.

The purpose of this **FREE** on-line library is to provide a single, easy to search source in which individuals, agencies and organizations can access Just In Time Disaster Training Videos.

The library can be accessed at the following web site:

#### www.JustInTimeDisasterTraining.org

Share access to this unique disaster training resource with others by linking your web site to the library today.

#### THREAT AND RISK ASSESSMENT

Local Jurisdiction • MGT-310

#### **Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service**

National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center This course prepares participants to conduct a jurisdictional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA). Participant activities focus on allowing the jurisdiction to understand threats and hazards and how the impacts may vary according to time of occurrence, season, location, and other community factors. This knowledge helps a jurisdiction establish informed and defensible capability targets. Participants will identify threats and hazards of concern, give the threats and hazards context, examine the core capabilities, set capability targets, perform vulnerability and consequence assessments, and apply the results. The course delivery combines lecture, small group discussions, participant activities, and multimedia scenarios to improve the jurisdiction's capability to prevent, protect, mitigate, respond to, or recover from all-hazards events.

#### **Training Level:**

**Management and Planning** 

#### Venue:

Escambia County Sheriff's Office Training Department 1190 West Leonard St Pensacola, FL 32501

#### **Course Length:**

Two days (16 hours) December 3-4, 2013 0830-1630 each day

#### **Participant Audience:**

Emergency response level, supervisory and/or management personnel who respond to or have oversight responsibility for incidents caused by terrorism, natural disaster, major accidents and all other hazards. Course participants include responders from the following disciplines/services:

- Law Enforcement
- Fire Service
- Emergency Medical Services
- Hazardous Materials
- Public Health
- Public Works
- Emergency Management
- Health Care
- Emergency Communications
- Governmental Administrative

Personnel from the private sector, nongovernmental organizations, schools, and the military are also allowed to attend if invited or approved by the host jurisdiction.

#### **Prerequisites:**

Participants should work in one of the listed disciplines, have completed a WMD/terrorism awareness level course, or be approved by the local jurisdiction host. Completion of the online courses IS-700.a (NIMS - An Introduction) and AWR-160 (WMD/Terrorism Awareness for Emergency Responders) is recommended but not required. The DHS/FEMA NTED course AWR-160 is offered online by TEEX at: www.teexwmdcampus.com.

#### **Class Size:**

24-40 participants

#### **Reaistration Information:**

To register, please send your name, telephone number, company name and address, position title, and email address to the following individual:

> Jeffrey Williamson Critical Infrastructure Planner Florida Department of Law Enforcement 850-595-2106

jeffreywilliamson@fdle.state.fl.us

#### Cost:

This workshop will be provided by DHS at no charge to attend – however, any lodging/per diem expenditures will not be reimbursed by DHS – those expenditures will be the responsibility of the attendees' own agency/department/company.

### **NEWS (blue is new)**

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. --Margaret Mead

Protecting Children From Toxic Stress

http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/10/30/protecting-children-from-toxic-stress/?hp&rref=opinion&\_r=1

A year after Sandy, businesses unprepared for disaster <a href="http://www.nbcnews.com/business/year-after-sandy-businesses-unprepared-disaster-8C11439138">http://www.nbcnews.com/business/year-after-sandy-businesses-unprepared-disaster-8C11439138</a>

Preparing Makes Sense for People with Disabilities and Other Access and Functional Needs-Video

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZLLMDOScE4g&feature=youtu.be

Building Resilient Communities: An Online Training <a href="http://www.rand.org/pubs/tools/TL109.html?goback=%2Egde\_95355\_member\_271477566#%2">http://www.rand.org/pubs/tools/TL109.html?goback=%2Egde\_95355\_member\_271477566#%2</a>

Disaster Resilience in America: Launching a National Conversation Website <a href="http://nas-sites.org/resilience/Resilience-Events/">http://nas-sites.org/resilience/Resilience-Events/</a>

Moocdemic Game

MOOCDEMIC is a simulation game of a real world epidemic. It is best played on a mobile device.

https://www.moocdemic.com/

When disaster and disability converge http://www.ipsnews.net/2013/08/when-disaster-and-disability-converge-part-one/

New Hope for Older People in a Disaster http://blog.aarp.org/2013/08/12/hope-for-older-persons-in-a-disaster/

Active Shooter Workshop Teaches Communities to Win, not Survive http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Active-Shooter-Workshop-Teaches-Schools.html

Decision-making in a crisis: Understanding the brain <a href="http://www.securitynewsdesk.com/2013/06/27/decision-making-in-a-crisis-understanding-the-brain/?goback=%2Egmp 3876618%2Egde 3876618 member 257800797">http://www.securitynewsdesk.com/2013/06/27/decision-making-in-a-crisis-understanding-the-brain/?goback=%2Egmp 3876618%2Egde 3876618 member 257800797</a>

Strong leaders act before disaster strikes <a href="http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/local/strong-leaders-act-before-disaster-strikes-214249751.html">http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/local/strong-leaders-act-before-disaster-strikes-214249751.html</a>

OFB-EZ – a new, free business continuity tool

http://www.disastersafety.org/disastersafety/open-for-business-

ez/?utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=IBHS+Launches+New+Disaster+Planning+Tool+for+Small+Businesses&utm\_content=IBHS+Launches+New+Disaster+Planning+Tool+for+Small+Businesses+CID\_29d5712ad3cfda67821107234642c451&utm\_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm\_term=dedicated%20OFB-

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